

## WESTERN KANSAS WORLD

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### PART OF HUMOR.

It was the saying of an ancient sage that humor was the only test of gravity, and gravity of humor, for a subject that would not bear rillery is suspicious, and a jest that will not bear a serious examination is certainly false to it. But the laws of humor must apply to the laws of good breeding if the humor is to be genuinely appreciated. It is well that our conversation should be spiced with wit, but should smack of cleanliness and not of the low and vulgar suggestions. It is a growing pity that men and women are becoming careless in their forms of speech. It may offend many to hear this, but it is the truth, and sometimes the truth is an uncomfortable champion. There are also cases in which a joke becomes positively good because it is so intolerably bad, not in a moral sense, but in a humorous one. Such jokes are applauded in an inverse ratio of their real merit, as the great monars are frequently showered upon men who have the least humor. A good laugh is a great cure for dyspepsia, but the laugh must be honestly aroused. It must come from a wholesome source.

The Texas police are fearless in tackling the hard problems of the day. In Galveston one of the chief topics discussed by their state organization at its convention was how to control the wealthy and influential Lawbreaker. When they have solved this knotty problem it is to be hoped they will give the rest of the country the benefit of the solution. It is too valuable a discovery to be confined to one state.

The largest and most commodious theater in New Zealand had just been completed at Wellington at a cost of £22,000. There is seating accommodation for 2,300 persons, and the stage, which is the widest in New Zealand, will easily hold the property and scenic effects of any production which has visited New Zealand. It is claimed that the auditorium could be emptied in case of emergency within three minutes.

Columbus in his little vessel with his small crew, would have been astounded past utterances at the suggestion of a sea-going vessel like the Imperator, with the population of a small town on board and fitted up as the magnificent palaces of their Spanish majesties never dreamed of being. Yet in the light of real enterprise the little craft which sailed to discover a new world remains the more wonderful of the two.

A young motor speeder in New York, who has been heavily fined half a dozen times for violation of the law, lately took a "speed" pledge and was warned of a heavy penalty if he offended again. This repeated leniency is one strong reason why it is so difficult to stop speeding, and why so many lives have been sacrificed to the practice.

Reports from Paris indicate that fashions there are reaching if not exceeding the limits of good taste, not to say public decency. It is time for sensible women to be taking the matter into their own hands and to refuse further submission to suggestions of styles which are steadily passing from the ridiculous to the offensive.

A \$15,000 home for cats to cover two acres and have all modern improvements is to be built in New York. Yet it is likely that the animals for whom it is intended will wall in the midst of all their luxury for the freedom of the back fence which represents their idea of felina bliss.

It might be a good idea for the idlers who usually get into the papers for rocking boats to take to land traveling instead and furnish the victims of railroad wrecks where the brakes are not in the habit of working. In the latter case the joke would be on them.

A village in Ohio is kept awake at nights by fish which live in the subterranean streams about the place, and which come to the surface at night and pour forth their dusky souls in a piscatorial melody which is worrying the villagers greatly. This fish story is certainly entitled to the championship of the season.

Now a cure for whooping-cough has been discovered. Even death, it is claimed, can be cured by advanced science. The wonderful age furnishes remedies for every mortal ill except poverty and human nature.

The Paris courts have had one novelty under the sun in the shape of a suit for damages for a collision in midair. Even so near a period as the last generation would not have dreamed of such a casualty.

## SULZER IMPEACHED

BUT NEW YORK GOVERNOR REFUSES TO GIVE UP HIS OFFICE TO GLYNN.

### SENATE TRIAL IN SEPTEMBER

In the Meantime Lieutenant Governor Will Attempt to Exercise Functions of Executive—Mrs. Sulzer Collapsed.

Albany, N. Y.—With Governor Sulzer impeached by the assembly and the date of his trial before the senate and judges of the court of appeals fixed for September 18, the spectacle was presented of two men asserting themselves to be governor of New York.

As soon as the articles of impeachment, adopted at an early hour in the morning by the Democratic majority in the assembly, were presented to the senate shortly after 3 o'clock in the afternoon, Lieut. Gov. Martin H. Glynn announced his intention of occupying the executive chamber.

Friends of Governor Sulzer declared that the governor intended to continue in office, and would use every weapon in his power to maintain his position on the ground that the assembly had no constitutional right to consider impeachment at its extraordinary session.

Some asserted that the governor would go so far as to summon military protection if necessary to prevent the lieutenant governor from occupying the executive chamber.

Judge D. Cady Herrick, who will act as chief counsel for the governor at his trial, said that "talk of resort to force is the merest rot."

"He will meet the charges against him in an orderly and dignified way," Judge Herrick said, "and will do nothing unbecoming the dignity of the state. He will engage in no physical scramble to assert his rights to discharge the functions of the office of governor."

The governor himself was silent. When at 6 o'clock at night he left his office in the capitol, where he had been closeted the entire day, he was asked if he expected to return the next day. "Yes sir," he replied in angry tones.

Mrs. Sulzer's condition became so critical that Governor Sulzer wired to New York for a specialist on nervous diseases. The governor then told his advisers, it was said by those who claimed to have knowledge of what transpired at the night conference, that under no circumstances would he allow Mrs. Sulzer to testify at the trial. It was said on the other hand that Mrs. Sulzer insisted hysterically that she be allowed to testify in her husband's behalf.

### A YOUNG SLAYER CAPTURED

Harry Davis, Wanted in Kansas City on Murder Charge, Caught in Oklahoma City.

Kansas City, Mo.—The long police hunt for Harry Davis, 18 years old, one of the boy bandits who shot Al Hatch to death last fall, has ended in Oklahoma City. Davis and his bride of four days were arrested there by Harry Hoffman, chief deputy marshal of Jackson county, Mo. Both will be brought back to Kansas City at once. Davis had eluded the police and detectives of several states since the night of the holdup and fatal shooting of the saloon man, October 18, 1912.

Harry Davis was caught through having been married recently to Bernice Nessley, the daughter of a lumberman of Wichita. Davis was married under the name of Herman Davis and both gave Oklahoma City as their residence.

### LOST IN OKLAHOMA HILLS

Girl of Four and Boy of Three Wandered Away From Father's Camp.

Muskogee, Ok.—The other morning a girl, 4 years old, and a boy, 3 years old, children of A. M. Trammell, wandered away from Trammell's camp in the heart of the Klachli Mountains and were lost. Trammell was working for the Oklahoma Pipe Line Company. The girl was found under a big tree on the mountain side nearly famished for want of water.

The boy still was missing. The section is full of big timber wolves and panthers and it was feared that the boy had been killed and carried off. There are one hundred in the search, which was kept up for twenty-four hours and no trace of the child was found.

Chickasha Man a Bank Examiner. Washington, D. C.—J. P. Whitley, cashier of the Oklahoma National Bank at Chickasha, Ok., has been appointed national bank examiner for Oklahoma and part of Arkansas.

Lenient With An Imposter. St. Louis, Mo.—Having tracked down and exposed the woman who collected thousands of dollars by impersonating his grandmother, J. Alcorn Rector, a local attorney, announced his family would care for the imposter during the remainder of her life.

A "Vagrant" Carried \$20,000. Pittsburgh, Pa.—When J. K. Scott, 90 years old, was searched after being arrested for vagrancy, the police found \$20,000 sewed in the lining of his coat.

## POSSIBLE NEW YORK MAYOR IN CANOE



John Purroy Mitchell, recently appointed collector of the port of New York, canoeing with his wife on Lake Paradox in the Adirondacks. Mr. Mitchell is a candidate for the mayoralty of New York this fall on the fusion ticket.

## PREPARED FOR WAR

UNITED STATES ALL READY IF INTERVENTION IN MEXICO IS DECIDED UPON.

### PRESIDENT REMAINS FIRM

War and Navy Departments Have Plans All Worked Out for Quick Blow If Necessity Arises.

Washington, D. C.—All telegrams necessary to order the troops to Mexico and the navy to the coasts of the country have been written and signed.

Should it be decided to intervene in the affairs of Mexico, all the Secretary of War will do is to reach into a pigeonhole of his desk and turn the telegrams over to the operators in the War Department. At the same time the Secretary of the Navy will go through a like performance and in a very few minutes the soldiers and sailors will be on their way to Mexico.

President Wilson still sits tight and intervention apparently is no nearer now than at any other time in the crisis. But the United States is ready.

It was announced by Secretary Bryan that Mr. Lind would not arrive at Vera Cruz before Saturday night. Secretary Daniels of the Navy Department explained in this connection that while the battleship New Hampshire could make the trip from Galveston to Vera Cruz in thirty-six hours, minimum time, its ordinary time for the journey would be about fifty or sixty hours, and indicated that the administration did not regard Mr. Lind's mission as necessarily requiring great haste.

Ever since the first revolution in Mexico army and navy officers have been preparing for an invasion of the country. They have been working out the smallest details, so that upon directions from the President, the commander-in-chief of the army and navy, all of the available troops of the army and navy and ships of the navy will be ready to move.

Already military authorities all agree that when the United States decides to use force in Mexico it should strike a hard and quick blow. The throwing of a large military force into Mexico and the prompt blockading of the country's seaports will do much to suppress any general uprising in the country against the United States.

### CITIZENS TORE UP TRACKS

Dispute Between Rosedale, Kan., and Trolley Line Officials Brought to a Head.

Rosedale, Kan.—Disputes, extending through years, between the citizens of Rosedale and the officials of the Strang electric line came to a dramatic culmination when citizens of Rosedale, led by city officials tore up a section of the electric tracks and destroyed the roadbed where the line crosses Forty-third street and defied the company's officials, lawyers and workmen with revolvers and a fire hose.

The plans of the wreckers had been made in secret. Sunday was chosen because the courts being closed there could be no injunction obtained to stop them.

Die in Philadelphia Storm. Philadelphia, Pa.—A young woman was killed by lightning, a baby crushed to death by a falling tree, and scores of persons were injured by flying debris during a wind, rain and electrical storm which swept over this city.

Farmer Drowned While Bathing. Beatrice, Neb.—Herman Bervien of Diller drowned in the Little Blue river while bathing. The body was recovered. He was 35 years old and left a family.

## PARTY MUST UNITE

Choice Is Between Union and Democratic Dominance.

Country's Interests Demand That Republicans and Progressives Forget Their Differences and Unite Against Party in Power.

Gradually the fundamental facts of the political situation brush away the cobwebs of factional feeling and narrow personal influences of all kinds which stand in the way of the union of Republicans and Progressives who are alike in distrusting and condemning the methods and policies of the party now in power at Washington. Every day the tariff is discussed convinces more Progressives and more Republicans that the only choice is between union and Democracy. Every great, vital measure like the currency bill which is brought forward by the Democrats who are running things in congress, brings more Progressives and Republicans to a realizing sense of the folly of division in the face of the common enemy.

The logic of events is plain. It is impossible to escape the conclusion that those who will not accept any reasonable or possible plan of bringing the Republicans and the Progressives together are virtually consenting to the indefinite domination of the national government by the Democratic organization and the administration of the people's business by the party which stands for a minority of the voters and for a program many times repudiated at the polls and never approved in a national election, since 1892.

When this choice becomes entirely clear to the people of the United States there will be an end of the present separation of the anti-Democratic, anti-free trade majority into two armies, each too weak to beat the Democrats alone, while both together could easily oust the minority party and restore majority rule in the national government.

### Will Restore Republican Rule.

Twenty-one years ago the wage earners voted in anger rather than in reason. They held the Republican party responsible for the Homestead strike—for which it was in nowise responsible—and voted to bring in the Democratic party committed to a revision of the tariff on anti-protection lines. The result was four years of business depression, with lower wages where wages were paid at all, and no wages whatever at many points where work had been plentiful and wages high. The wage earners, as they soon discovered, had inflicted a heavy loss on themselves. Two years later they voted to bring in a Republican house, and two years after that to restore the Republican party to complete control of the government. History will shortly repeat itself.

### For Farmers' Consideration.

Under the present tariff Canadian farm surpluses have no terror for our farmers, but under the unwritten law requiring the maintenance of wages which the administration has read into the measure, they will find themselves undersold bushel for bushel in their own markets, the best in the world. If reciprocity must have nipped the farmers, as its framers admitted, by what process of reasoning can it be contended that they will come off scot free, if not the gainer, under free trade?

The course of the senate Democrats in refraining from discussing the radical changes in the tariff in open debate completes the circle of silence and secrecy. What little light was shed on the bill during the general debate in the house, after its formulation in closed committee sittings and caucus proceedings, was blotted out by the senate Democrats, the only explanation and defense of which has been vouchsafed by Senator Simmons in a general way.

Company in Misery. Senator McCumber of North Dakota says the Democratic tariff bill kicks the farmer into the gutter. If this is so, it will give the farmer an opportunity to make friends with the manufacturers, for the Democratic tariff bill catapults them into the same place.

T. R. Put It's in Division. There is just a word between the Progressives and the Republicans, and it is "I."—Pittsburgh Ledger.

Too Much to Ask. Alas! Apparently we shall never know what salary would be sufficient to allow Mr. Bryan to live—and keep his mouth shut.

One Exception. The Democratic majority is in favor of full publicity. It is convinced, however, that the details of the Caminetti affair are not fit to print.

But Can He Hold Them? Colonel Roosevelt says there will be no amalgamation with the Republican party. Talks as if he proposes to take the Bull Moose membership roll with him when he goes to South America.

Explaining His Absence. The enrollment of Progressives in this city affords some explanation of Colonel Roosevelt's desire to fish now and go to South America later.—New York World

## ARE CHARGED WITH MURDER

Warrants Issued for Two Negroes Accused of Killing Dean Warren at Lawrence, Kans.

Lawrence, Kas.—Two negroes, Walter and Horace Peterson, have been accused of the murder of Dean Warren, who lost his life in a pistol duel here the other night. Warrants have been served on the two brothers. They were in custody at the time, having been taken shortly after the finding of the body. They stoutly maintain their innocence, admitting that they were at the beer party, but denying any knowledge of the shooting. County Attorney S. J. Amick, however, says that he has sufficient evidence against them and expects a conviction when the case comes to trial.

Two other warrants are to be served in the case, one charging Andy Burris with violation of the prohibitory law and the other charging "Duke" Scott with conducting a gambling game on the night of the murder.

## MOB AFTER A GIRL'S SLAYER

Posses Searching County About Lexington, Mo., for Negro—A Lynching Probable.

Lexington, Mo.—At least a thousand men from Lexington and the surrounding territory are participating in a man hunt for Goldie Wingfield, a negro, believed to have been the slayer of Miss Estell Potter, the 13-year-old daughter of Newton Potter, whose body was found concealed in a ravine by the road near her home.

The most intense feeling prevails in the posses and Sheriff Wadell admitted that the chances of landing the negro safely in jail were slim.

An arrest was made at Pittsville, Mo., 25 miles south of Lexington, of a negro who was believed by Sheriff Wadell to be Wingfield, whose description was telephoned by the Pittsville officers. The sheriff, with others, left for the latter place in a motor car to make the identification certain.

## DID MRS. SULZER SPECULATE

Wife of New York Governor Reported to Have Admitted Deals in Wall Street.

Albany, N. Y.—A declaration attributed to Mrs. William Sulzer, wife of the governor of New York, that she had used some of her husband's campaign contributions without his knowledge to invest in stocks because she felt the household needed money and that she alone was wholly responsible for his impeachment was made the subject of a motion in the lower house of the New York legislature, debating a resolution to impeach Governor Sulzer.

It was the first test of strength of the Democratic organization, which is urging the governor's impeachment and indicated that the organization lacked three votes of the seventy-six required to impeach.

## NO RELIEF FOR CORN BELT

A General Rain That Passed East Missed the Country That Needed it the Most.

Washington.—A general rain that brought a material drop in temperature swept over practically the entire country east of the Rocky Mountains except the great Middle West corn belt, where it is most needed. In the region including Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Southern Illinois and part of Arkansas, where there have been no rains for several weeks, the corn crop is practically burning up and weather bureau officials see no immediate prospect for relief.

## LOANS TO GOOD BANKS ONLY

Institutions Which Speculate Will Not Get to Handle Any of the Crop Money.

Washington, D. C.—Banks which borrow or lend money for speculative purposes will be denied any portion of the \$50,000,000 of government funds to be deposited in the national banks to assist in moving the crops and the entire amount will go to institutions that earnestly strive to meet the currency demands of the agricultural sections.

Bank Robbers Shot Iowa Man. West Liberty, Ia.—Ex-Mayor L. W. Swen was shot, the safe in the local postoffice partly wrecked and street lamps shattered by three bank robbers here. Swen received a load of buckshot in his left eye.

Names Eskridge Postmaster. Washington.—President Wilson has named Harvey C. Peterson to be postmaster at Eskridge, Kas.

Circus Wreck Injures 13. Omaha.—Thirteen persons, all employees of the Barnum & Bailey Circus, whose train was stuck at Richfield, Neb., by a Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific train, were brought to the Clarkson hospital in this city, all suffering fatal or dangerous injuries.

Fire in Old Capital Hotel. Washington.—Fire, which started in a light shaft and broke through the roof of the historic Ebbitt House, created consternation among the guests, but did little damage.